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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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Examiner

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

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Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

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